

Potential LEAP 2018-2019 Meeting Topics

1. Gifted resources and enrichment opportunities (inside and outside LCPS)
2. Music/Art opportunities in Loudoun (inside/outside of LCPS)
3. Alternative paths to success: trade schools, corporate training programs, public private partnerships.
4. Preparing for transitions: (elementary->middle and middle->high and high->college or trade school, etc.)
5. Breaking up myths about Admissions criteria (what are colleges really looking for, which college is best fit, what are best ways to make use of college, why are scholarships given)
6. PTA/PTO best practices (what do parents hope to get out of it, how/whether to increase collaboration between groups)
7. Learn your rights -> Parent/student rights (FERPA, IDEA, FOIA, DCDA)
8. Student growth (what standards has your student mastered, how to interpret NWEA MAP data from LCPS; what is appropriate advancement)
9. Title 1/FRL resources and zoning (what data shows about effects of concentrated poverty; how might Loudoun reduce the discrepancy in resources between schools in our county)
10. Addressing chronic absenteeism and failure to progress to the next grade level
11. Mental health (what resources are available; what can parents/friends do)
12. Standardized testing [SAT/ACT/PSAT/SOL] (how LCPS instruction is affected; how does the new SAT align with SOLs; how do results compare with high-level cognitive tests)
13. School safety (what practices are in place in LCPS; how do other counties approach safety; what we can learn from sharing information across county borders)
14. District-wide grading policy (should a consistent grading policy be used in high school)